(R.3. crores)

| | Outstanding at the end of | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | 1985-S6 | 1986-87 | 1987-88 |
| (i) External debt (at the current rate of exchange) | 26638 | 32312 | 36670 |
| Percentage to GDP ..... | 10.2 | 11.0 | 11.3 |
| (ii) Internal debt ..... | 71039 | 86312 | 99520 (RE) |
| Percentage to GDP..... | 27.1 | 29.5 | 30.6 |

(b) Principal and interest amounts of External debt and Internal debt of Government in absolute amounts and as a percentage to export earnings and budget revenue respectively in each year from 1985-86 to 1987-88.

(Rs. crores)

| | 1985-86 | 1986-87 | 1987-88 (RE) |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | 166 | 2309 |
| Percentage to export earnings . . . . | 6.1 | 7.8 | 9.2 |
| (ii) Servicing of Internal debt (net of discharge of | | 6202 | 6720 |
| Percentage to revenue receipts . . . . | 16.5 | 18.9 | 17.6 |

189. *(Transferred to* the 14th Nov ember, 1988)

**Fire in Westview Building, Colaba, Bombay**

190. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state.

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the press report which appeared in the 'Indian Express' (Madras) dated 7th October, 1988 wherein it has been stated that there was a big fire in the Westview Building, Colaba, Bombay on 5th October, 1988 resulting in destruction of 50 per cent of the paperwork of the Intelligence Wing of the Customs Colleetorate, Bombay;

(b) if so, what were the causes of the fre;

(c) whether any sabotage has been detected; and

(d) if so, what action has been taken by Government to avoid recur rence of such incident in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN" THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) The Government is aware of the press report regarding fire in Westview Building, Colaba, Bombay on 5th October, 1988.

(b) to (d) Since Fire is a State subject, it is for the concerned State Govt, to take necessary action on any incident of fire. The attention of the Govt; of Maharashtra has been drawn to the press report.